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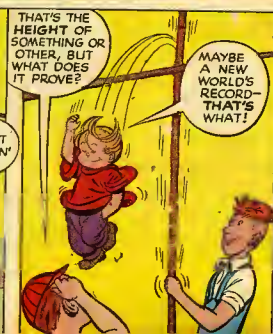
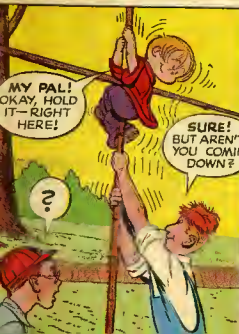
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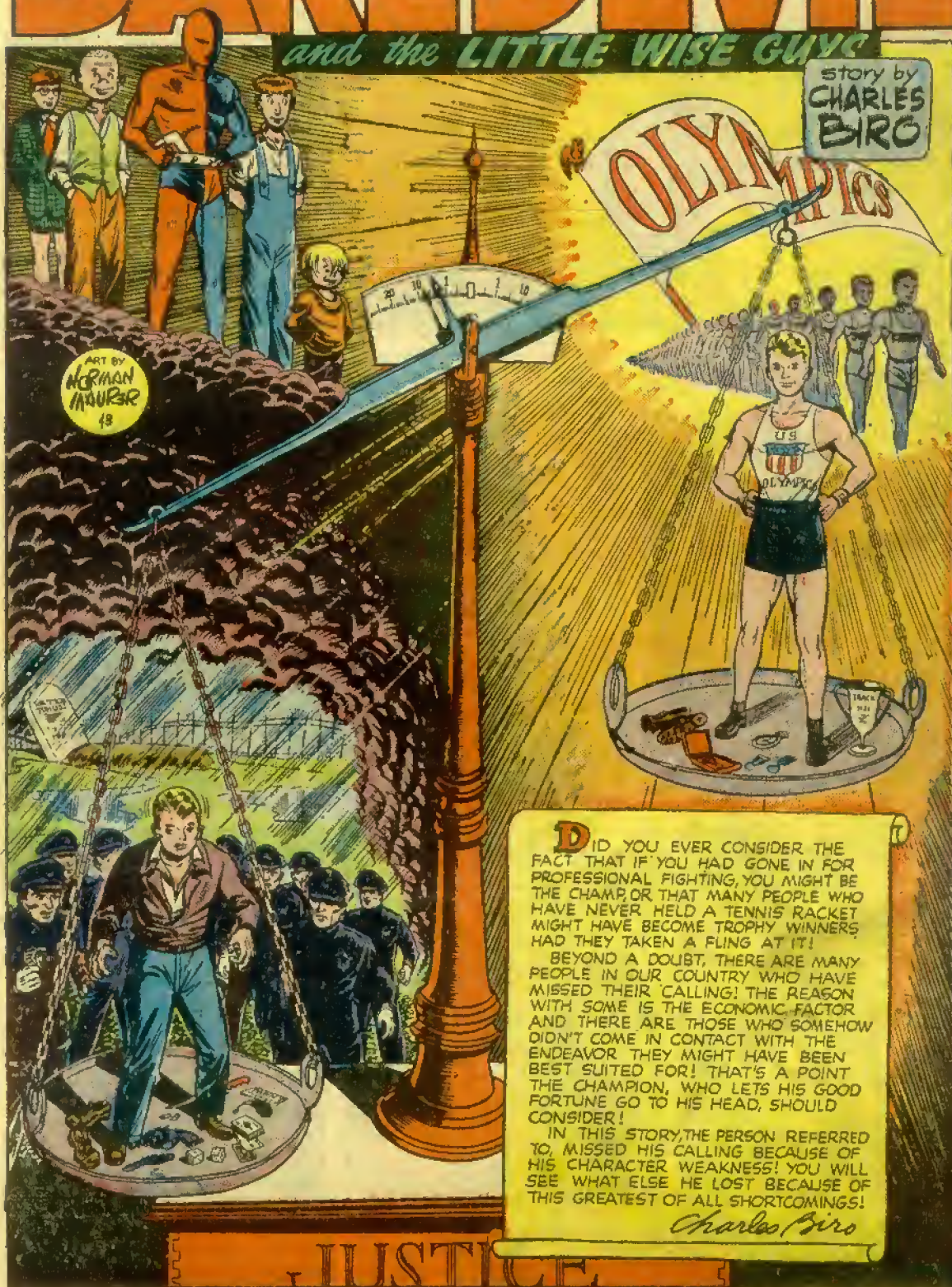
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and the LITTLE WISE GUYS

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DID YOU EVER CONSIDER THE FACT THAT IF YOU HAD GONE IN FOR PROFESSIONAL FIGHTING, YOU MIGHT BE THE CHAMP OR THAT MANY PEOPLE WHO HAVE NEVER HELD A TENNIS RACKET MIGHT HAVE BECOME TROPHY WINNERS HAD THEY TAKEN A FLING AT IT!

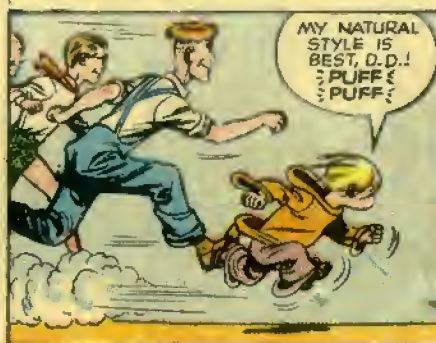
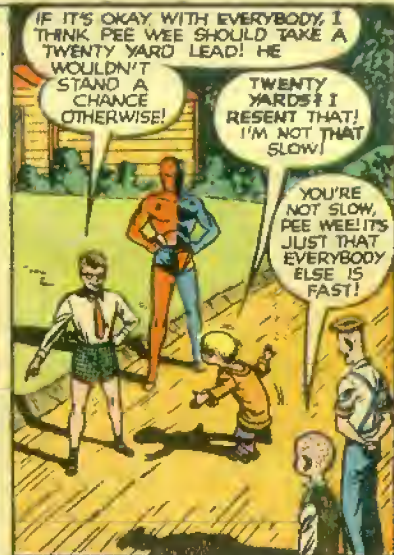
BEYOND A DOUBT, THERE ARE MANY PEOPLE IN OUR COUNTRY WHO HAVE MISSED THEIR CALLING! THE REASON WITH SOME IS THE ECONOMIC FACTOR AND THERE ARE THOSE WHO SOMEHOW DIDN'T COME IN CONTACT WITH THE ENDEAVOR THEY MIGHT HAVE BEEN BEST SUITED FOR! THAT'S A POINT THE CHAMPION, WHO LETS HIS GOOD FORTUNE GO TO HIS HEAD, SHOULD CONSIDER!

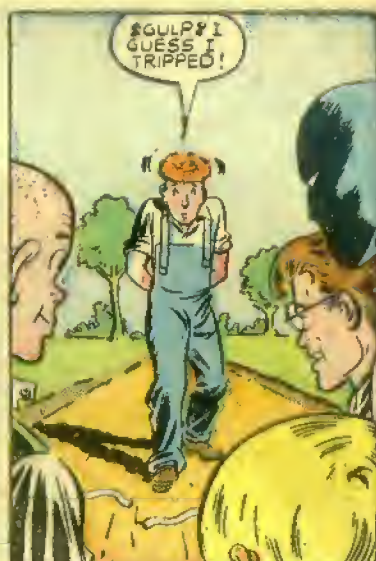
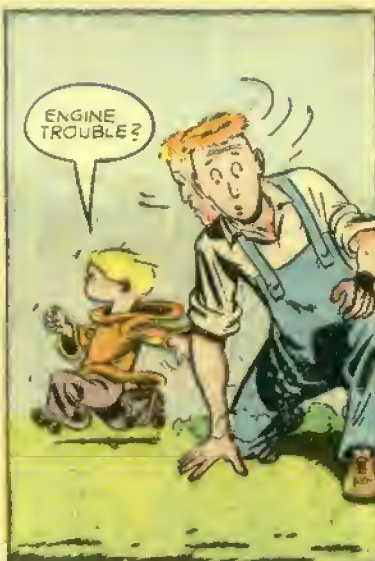
IN THIS STORY, THE PERSON REFERRED TO, MISSED HIS CALLING BECAUSE OF HIS CHARACTER WEAKNESS! YOU WILL SEE WHAT ELSE HE LOST BECAUSE OF THIS GREATEST OF ALL SHORTCOMINGS!

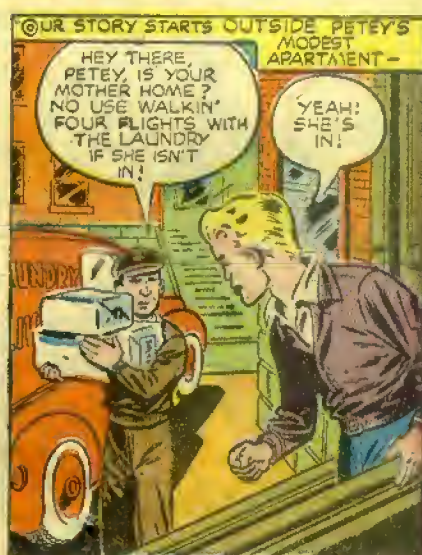
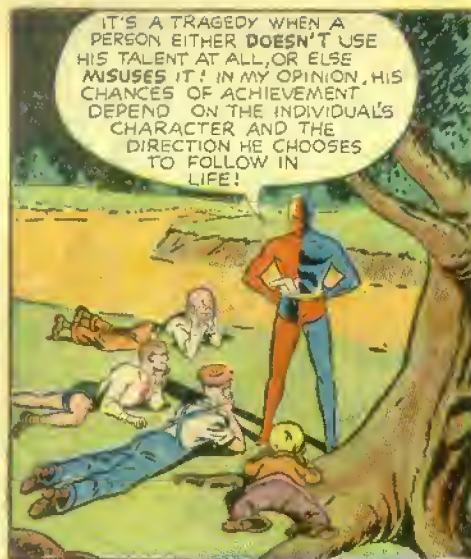
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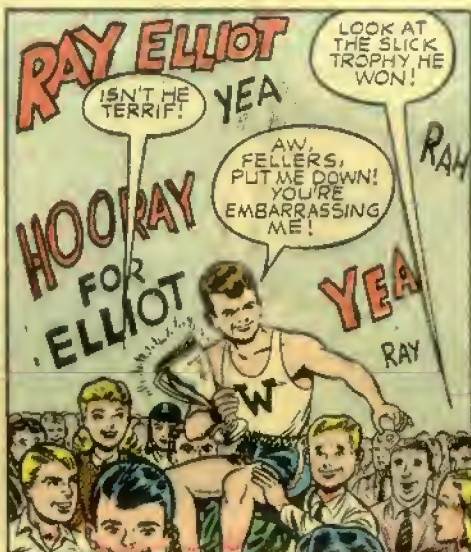
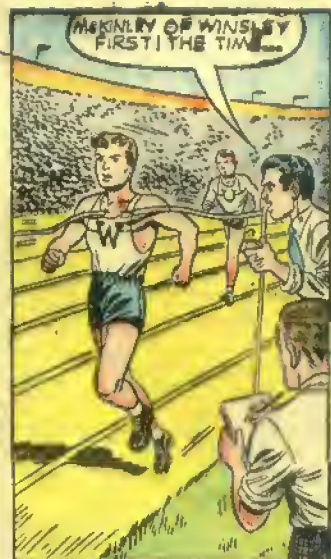






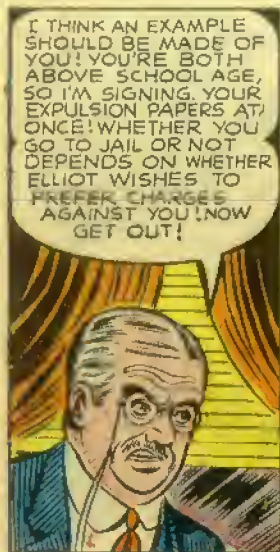










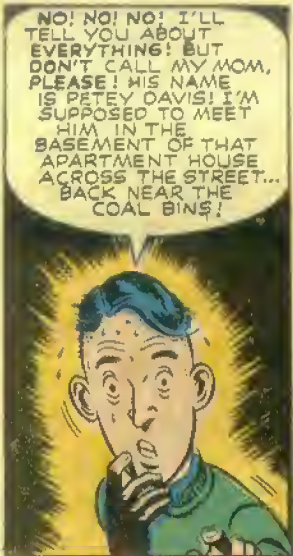














ONLY INSTEAD OF RED-HANDED, IT'S BLACK-HANDED, EH, PETEY? YOU WOULDN'T HAVE BURIED IT IN THE COAL BY ANY CHANCE?

NO-NO, I...



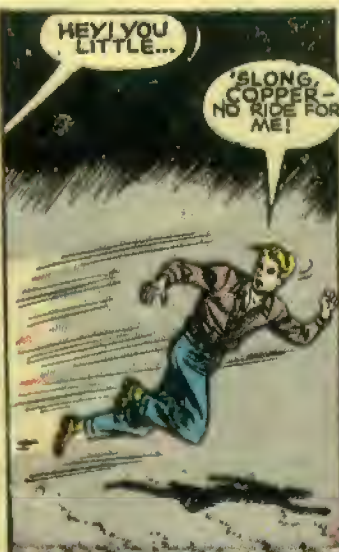
STOP WIGGLING, BOY!... AHH—HERE WE ARE! YOU'RE NOT VERY CLEVER, PETEY! IF YOU HAD ANY SENSE, YOU'D HAVE KNOWN YOU COULDN'T GET AWAY WITH IT!



NOW WE'LL TAKE A RIDE IN THE SQUAD CAR TO THE STATION HOUSE! AND WE'LL LET YOUR FRIEND, STUPE, COME ALONG FOR COMPANY!



IN YOU GO...



HEY! YOU LITTLE...

'SLONG, COPPER—NO RIDE FOR ME!



STOP! STOP OR I'LL SHOOT!

THREE TIMES OVER HIS HEAD—THEN RUN AFTER HIM!



IT'S NO USE CHASING HIM, HE'S TOO FAST!

ONE LAST WARNING! WILL YA STOP?



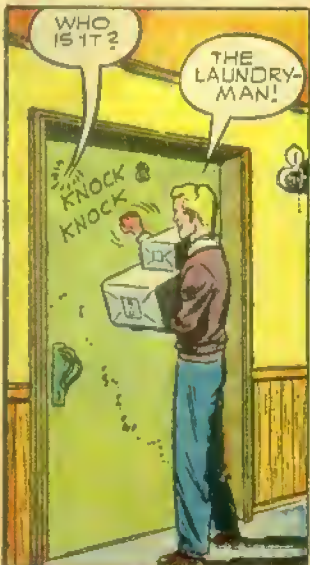
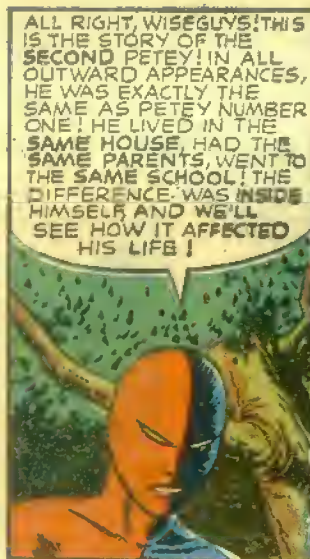
HE'S GOING INTO THE ALLEY! TRY AND GET HIM IN THE LEGS OR YOU'LL LOSE HIM!

I'LL BE 'LUCKY IF I HIT HIM AT ALL! LOOK AT THAT CRAZY FELLER TRAVEL!



BANG BANG







OH, YOU BUY SOMETHING FOR YOURSELF WITH THE MONEY—I'D LIKE YOU TO! IT MAKES ME FEEL GOOD TO BE ABLE TO HELP OUT WHEN I CAN!

I CAN'T REFUSE WHEN YOU PUT IT THAT WAY! THANK YOU, SON! I'LL BUY THE PRETTIEST HAT I CAN FIND!



PETEY, YOU MUST BE PRETTY HUNGRY! WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE YOUR SUPPER EARLY?

I'M A LITTLE HUNGRY, BUT I'D RATHER WAIT FOR POP—IT'S MORE FUN WHEN WE ALL EAT TOGETHER!



HI, THERE, PETEY—HOW WAS SCHOOL TODAY?

PRETTY GOOD! THAT STUFF YOU TOLD ME ABOUT THE CIVIL WAR HELPED ME A LOT IN HISTORY CLASS!



WHO DO YOU THINK WILL WIN THE PENNANT THIS YEAR, POP—ST. LOUIS?

COULD BE! BUT YOU KNOW ME, I'M LOYAL TO THE YANKS!



HEY, THERE—DON'T TELL ME YOU'RE STAYING IN ON A NICE NIGHT LIKE THIS!

AWW, I HAVE SOME STUDYING TO GET AHEAD ON, SO I'LL HAVE TIME FOR TRACK PRACTICE TOMORROW!



PETEY, STUPE IS HERE! HE WANTS TO KNOW IF YOU'D LIKE TO GO TO THE MOVIES!

GO AHEAD, SON! IT'LL DO YOU GOOD TO GET OUT FOR AWHILE!



AW, NUTS—IT'S ONE OF THEM SLUSHY LOVE PICTURES! WE DON'T WANT TO SEE THAT! WHAT SAY WE GO OVER TO THE BLUE STAR DANCE HALL FOR A COUPLA BEERS AN' SOME DANCIN'? MAYBE WE CAN LINE UP A COUPLE OF JANES!



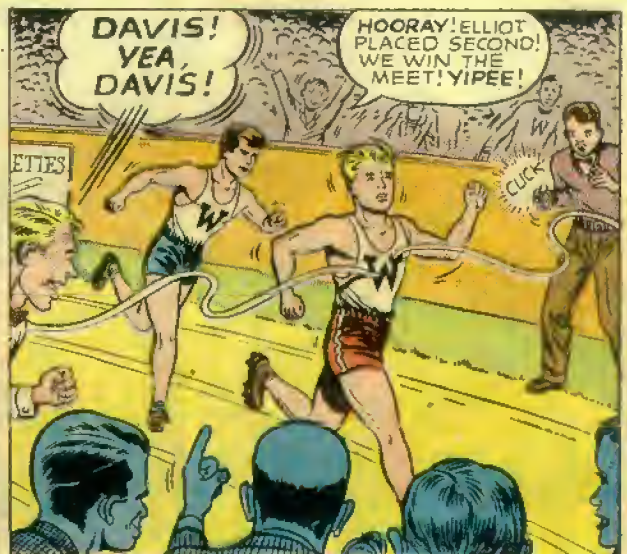
YOU GO AHEAD IF YOU WANT TO, STUPE! I THINK I'LL GO HOME! I'M IN TRAINING FOR THE TRACK MEET, SO BEER AND LATE HOURS ARE OUT 'FOR' ME!

TRACK, TRACK, TRACK—THAT'S ALL YOU EVER THINK ABOUT! WELL, LOOK—HOW'S CHANCES OF BORROWIN' A BUCK TILL SATURDAY?



SURE—HERE YOU ARE, AND HAVE A GOOD TIME! WINNING THE INTER-SCHOLASTIC TITLE MEANS A LOT TO ME!

THANKS, PETEY—I'LL DRINK A BEER TO YOUR WINNING! HOW'S THAT?





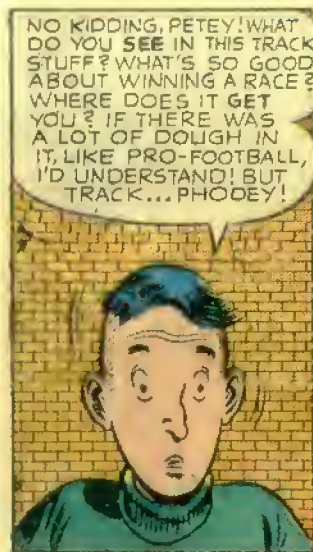
SO YA WON, EH, PETEY?
NOW HOW ABOUT A COUPLA
BEERS TO CELEBRATE? YOU
WON'T HAVE TO WORRY
ABOUT TRAINING
ANYMORE!



THAT'S WHAT YOU
THINK! NOW I HAVE
TO BE IN TRAINING ALL THE
MORE! THE COACH HAS
ENTERED ME IN THE
INTERSTATE MEET! I'LL
REALLY HAVE TO
KNUCKLE DOWN
FOR THAT!



HOLY COW! YOU MEAN
NO BEER, NO SODAS OR
CANDY... MORE OF THAT
EARLY-TO-BED STUFF?
AND ALL FOR JUST A
DOPEY OLD CUP YOU
CAN'T EVEN DRINK OUT OF!



NO KIDDING, PETEY! WHAT
DO YOU SEE IN THIS TRACK
STUFF? WHAT'S SO GOOD
ABOUT WINNING A RACE?
WHERE DOES IT GET
YOU? IF THERE WAS
A LOT OF DOUGH IN
IT, LIKE PRO-FOOTBALL,
I'D UNDERSTAND! BUT
TRACK... PHODEY!



GOSH! YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND,
STUPE! IT'S NOT JUST WINNING
THE TROPHY, IT'S MORE THAN
THAT! OF COURSE I LIKE WINNING-
WHO WOULDN'T? ONLY IT'S
SOMETHING ABOUT THE WAY
I FEEL WHEN I'M DOING
SOMETHING WELL!



IT GIVES ME A SWELL
FEELING INSIDE! I FEEL
AS THOUGH EVERY PART
OF ME WAS ALL WORKING
TOGETHER FOR JUST ONE
THING! ESPECIALLY
WHEN THE WHOLE
SCHOOL IS ROOT-
ING FOR ME!



IF I BROKE TRAINING,
I'D CHANCE LOSING
BOTH MY CONDITION
AND TIMING... I DON'T
THINK YOU'D
UNDERSTAND!

SO WHAT? IF
YOU'RE SO
GOOD, YOU'D
PROBABLY
STILL BEAT
THE OTHERS!

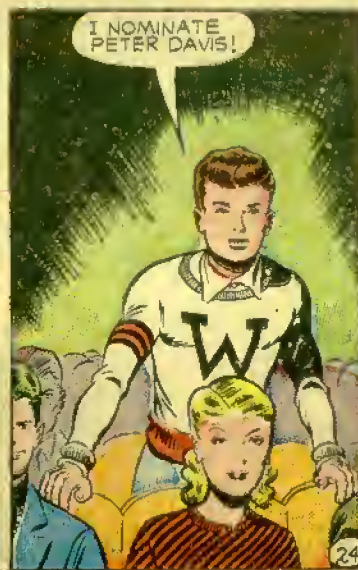
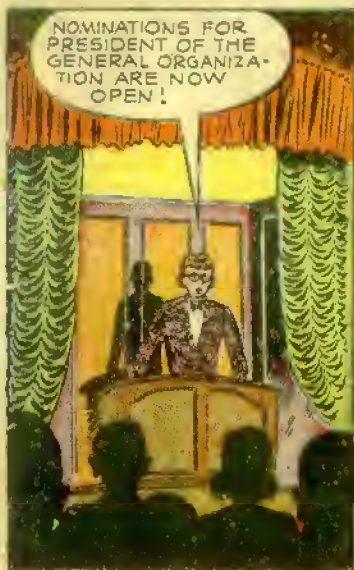
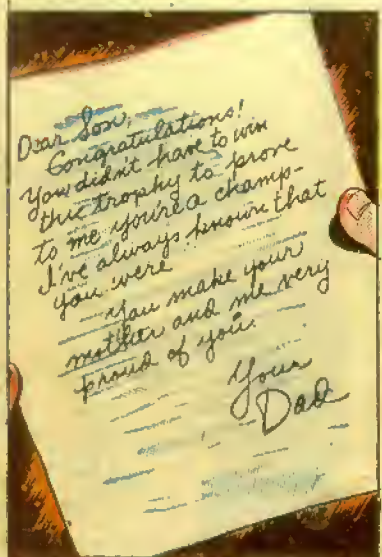
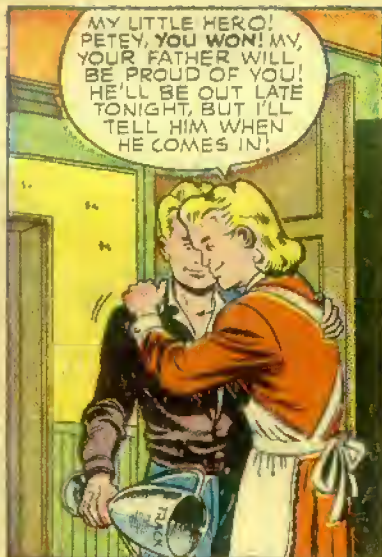


BUT THERE'S MORE TO
IT THAN THAT! I'M NOT
OUT TO BEAT THE OTHERS!
I'M OUT TO BEAT MYSELF!
EACH TIME I RUN, I TRY
TO BETTER MY OWN
RECORD! I FEEL IF I
TRY REAL HARD, I CAN
RUN EVEN FASTER
THAN THE LAST TIME!
IT'S SOMETHING I
LIKE SHOOTING
AT!



IT SOUNDS SCREWY
TO ME! STRICTLY KID STUFF!
ME, I LIKE SOMETHING WHERE
YOU STAND A CHANCE OF
MAKING A SMART
BUCK! WELL,
SO LONG, PAL!

SO LONG,
STUPE!





I SECOND THE NOMINATION!

HOLY CATS, PETEY! THEY'RE NOMINATING YOU!

YEA, PETEY!

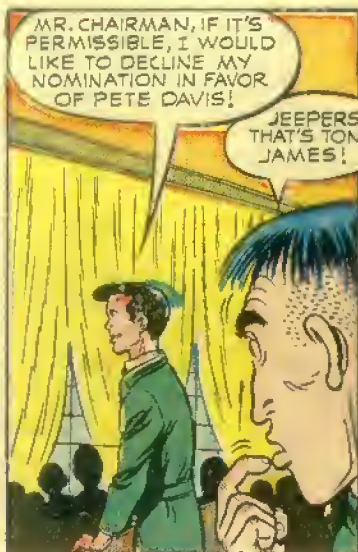
HURRAH FOR PETE!

HE'S OUR MAN!

YEA!

HOORAY!

ORDER!

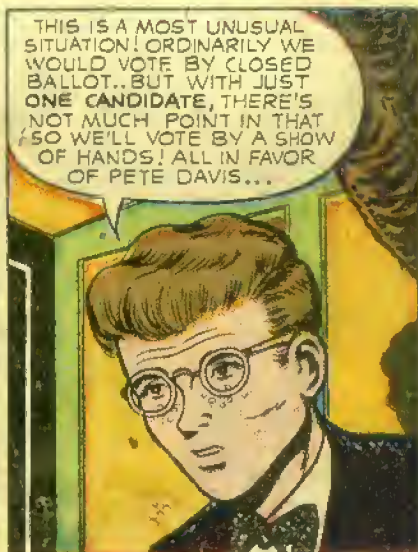


MR. CHAIRMAN, IF IT'S PERMISSIBLE, I WOULD LIKE TO DECLINE MY NOMINATION IN FAVOR OF PETE DAVIS!

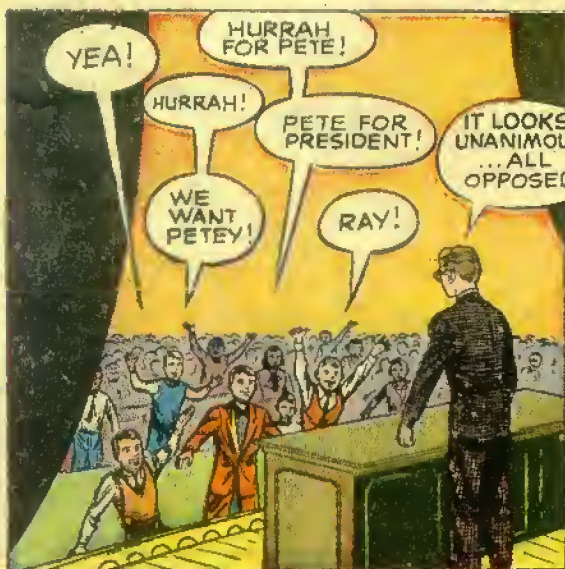
JEEPEERS! THAT'S TONY JAMES!



WHY, UH... IF YOU WANT TO DECLINE, YOU MAY! ANY MORE NOMINATIONS?



THIS IS A MOST UNUSUAL SITUATION! ORDINARILY WE WOULD VOTE BY CLOSED BALLOT... BUT WITH JUST ONE CANDIDATE, THERE'S NOT MUCH POINT IN THAT, SO WE'LL VOTE BY A SHOW OF HANDS! ALL IN FAVOR OF PETE DAVIS...



YEA!

HURRAH FOR PETE!

HURRAH!

PETE FOR PRESIDENT!

WE WANT PETEY!

RAY!

IT LOOKS UNANIMOUS! ...ALL OPPOSED.



NOT ONE VOTE AGAINST PETE! I HEREBY ANNOUNCE THAT PETER DAVIS HAS BEEN ELECTED PRESIDENT OF THE GENERAL ORGANIZATION BY THE UNANIMOUS VOTE OF THE STUDENT BODY!

GOSH, PETEY, I GUESS NOW YOU'LL BE TOO STUCK UP TO GO AROUND WITH A NOBODY LIKE ME! YOU'LL BE TOO BUSY WITH ALL THE SLICK CHICKS AND BIG SHOTS, TO JUST SIT AROUND AND GAB WITH ME!

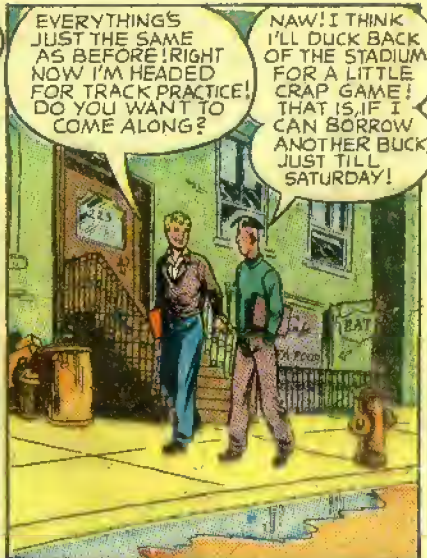


MI-GOSH! DON'T BE A STUPE, STUPE! WHAT'S GETTING ELECTED G.O. PRESIDENT GOT TO DO WITH US BEING PALS? I'M STILL THE SAME GUY!



NO KIDDING! YOU REALLY MEAN IT?

EVERYTHING'S JUST THE SAME AS BEFORE! RIGHT NOW I'M HEADED FOR TRACK PRACTICE! DO YOU WANT TO COME ALONG?



NAW! I THINK I'LL DUCK BACK OF THE STADIUM FOR A LITTLE CRAP GAME! THAT IS, IF I CAN BORROW ANOTHER BUCK, JUST TILL SATURDAY!

SURE, STUPE...HEY NO WONDER YOU'RE ALWAYS BROKE THREE DAYS AFTER YOU GET YOUR ALLOWANCE! I REALLY SHOULDN'T LET YOU HAVE IT! WHY DON'T YOU CUT THAT STUFF OUT?

WHAT? JUST BECAUSE I'M A LITTLE DOWN ON MY LUCK? IT'S BOUND TO CHANGE! THANKS!



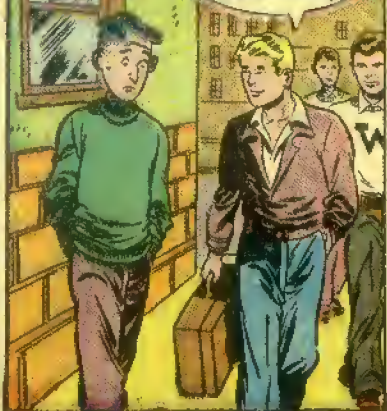
PETEY, YOU'RE DOING FINE! IT WOULDN'T SURPRISE ME ONE BIT IF YOU CLIPPED ANOTHER TENTH OF A SECOND OFF YOUR TIME IN THE INTERSTATE MEET TOMORROW!

I SURE HOPE SO, COACH! I THINK I'M IN PRETTY GOOD SHAPE!



TODAY'S THE BIG DAY, HUH PETEY?

IT SURE IS! HOW ABOUT COMING DOWN TO THE ARMORY WITH ME? I'VE GOT AN EXTRA TICKET YOU CAN HAVE!

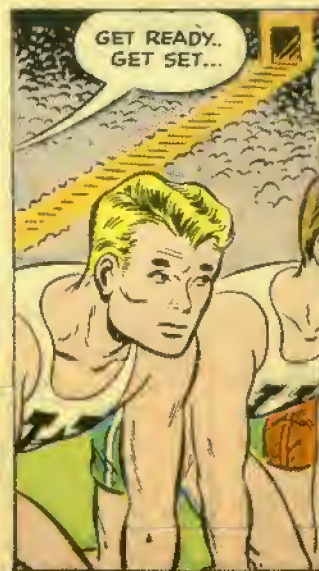
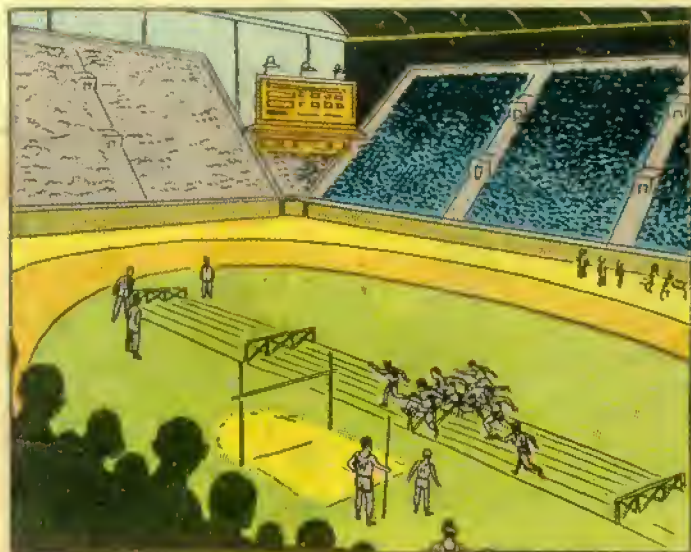
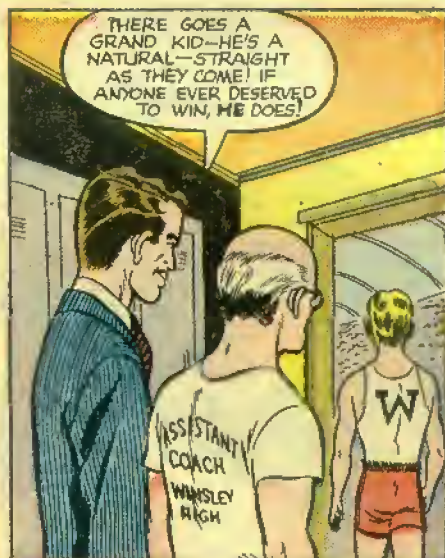


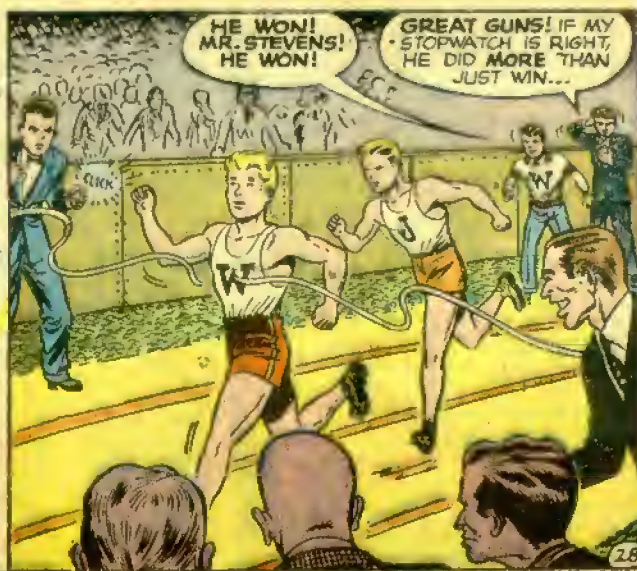
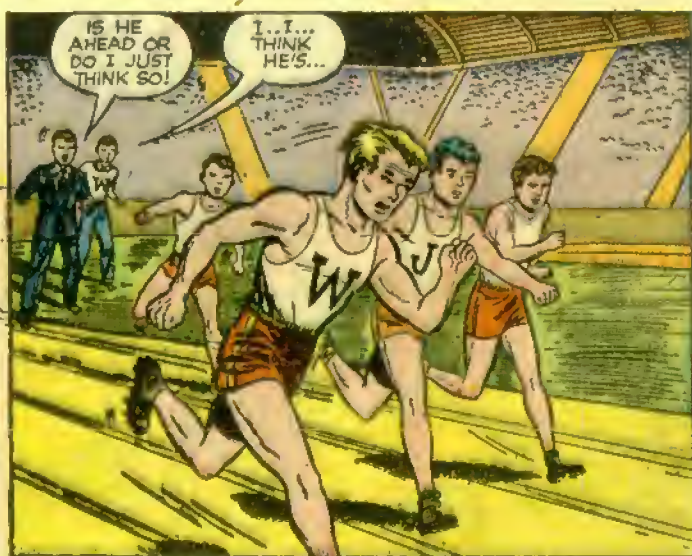
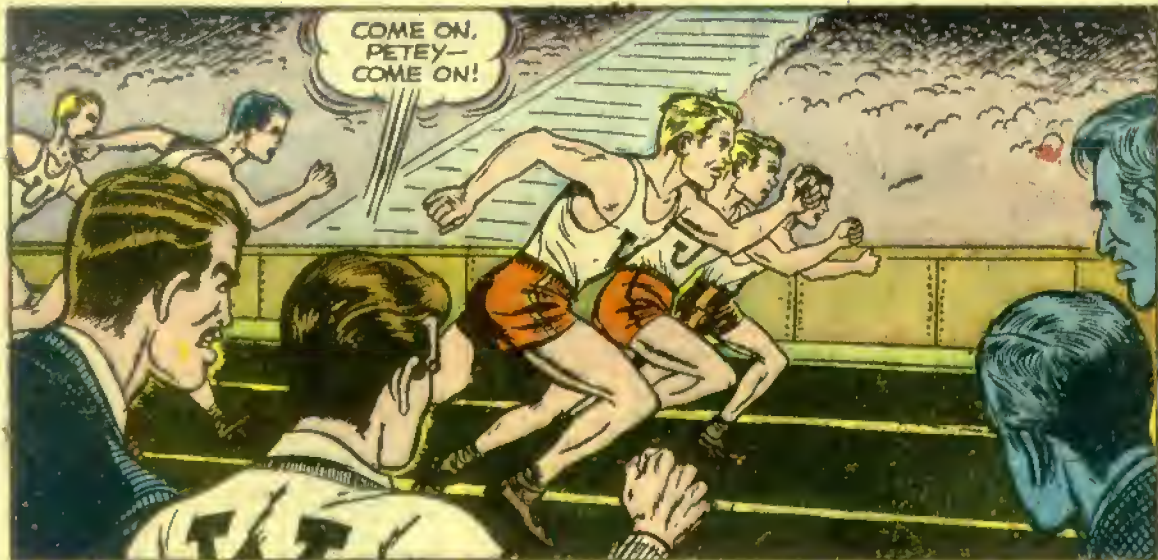
AW, I'D LIKE TO SEE YOU RACE, BUT I'D HAVE TO SIT THROUGH ALL THE OTHER EVENTS! NAW! THANKS JUST THE SAME, PETEY! YOU GO ALONG WITH THE GANG!



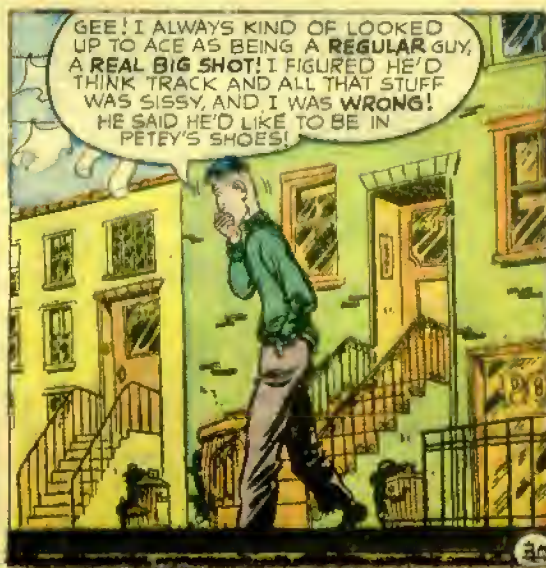
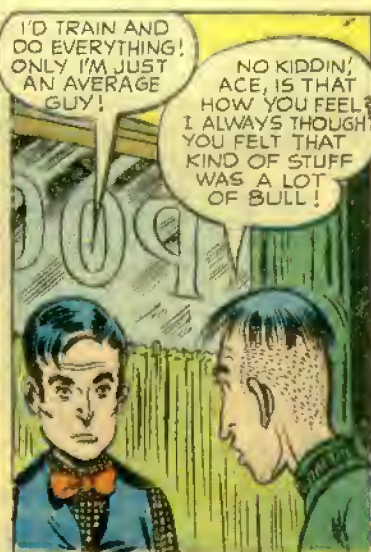
GOLLY! I ALMOST WISH I COULD RUN OR JUMP OR SOMETHING! I...AW, WHAT AM I SAYING? I MUST BE GOING SOFT!

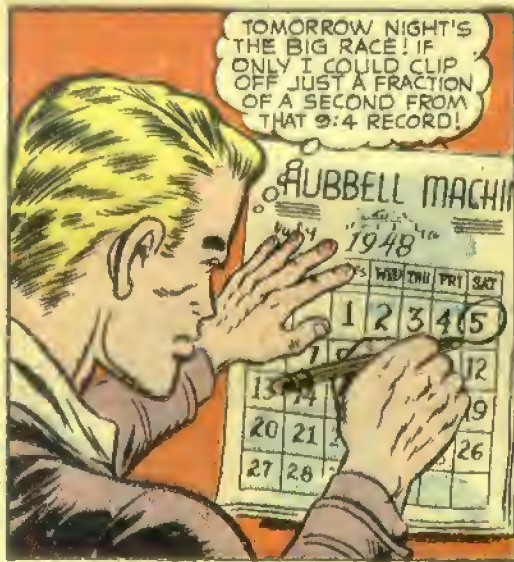












TOMORROW NIGHT'S THE BIG RACE! IF ONLY I COULD CLIP OFF JUST A FRACTION OF A SECOND FROM THAT 9:4 RECORD!



I'VE GOT TO GET TO WORK NOW, SON! TRY TO FORGET ABOUT THE RACE TILL TONIGHT! YOUR MOTHER AND I WILL BE IN THE STANDS ROOTING FOR YOU! JUST DO THE BEST YOU CAN!



I'LL MEET YOU AT YOUR OFFICE AFTER WORK, DEAR!

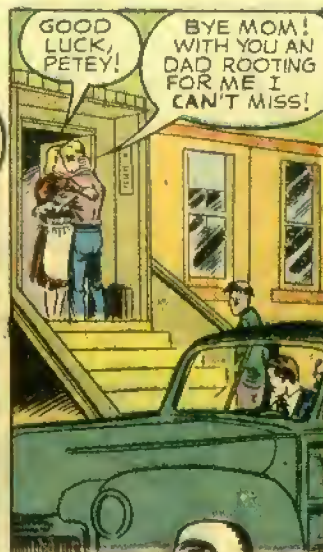
I'M GOING TO DO MY DARDEST! HOW ABOUT COMING TO THE DRESSING ROOM BEFORE THE RACE?



HONK HONK

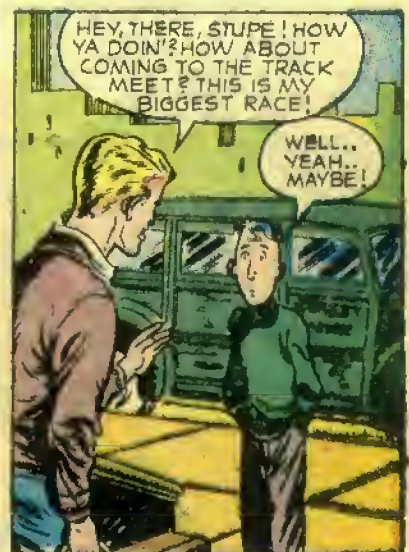
GOPS! THAT MUST BE THE COACH AND THE REST OF THE BOYS CALLING FOR ME NOW, MOM! I'VE GOTTA SCOOT!

HERE'S YOUR BAG WITH YOUR TRACK THINGS!



GOOD LUCK, PETEY!

BYE MOM! WITH YOU AN DAD ROOTING FOR ME I CAN'T MISS!



HEY, THERE, STUPE! HOW YA DOIN'? HOW ABOUT COMING TO THE TRACK MEET? THIS IS MY BIGGEST RACE!

WELL.. YEAH.. MAYBE!



I'M ON MY WAY NOW-THE REST OF THE TEAM IS WAITING! HOW'S ABOUT COMING ALONG?

AW, THEY WON'T HAVE ROOM FOR ME! I'LL RIDE DOWN LATER ON THE BUS!



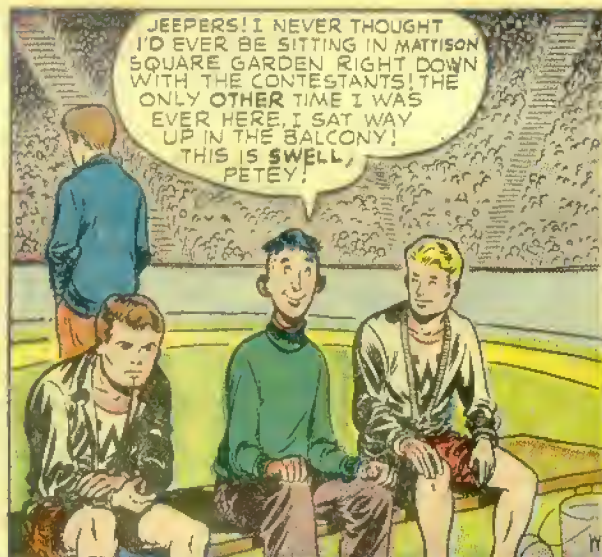
HEY, COACH! THERE'S ROOM FOR MY PAL, STUPE, ISN'T THERE?

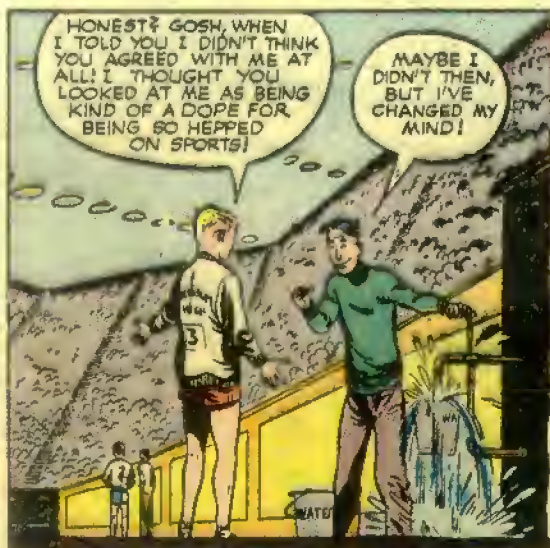
SURE, PETEY, ALWAYS ROOM FOR ONE MORE! BRING HIM ALONG!



I STILL HAVE TO GET A TICKET, AND...

FORGET IT, STUPE! IF YOU'RE A GOOD FRIEND OF PETEY'S, YOU CAN COME IN WITH THE TEAM! FORGET THE TICKET!

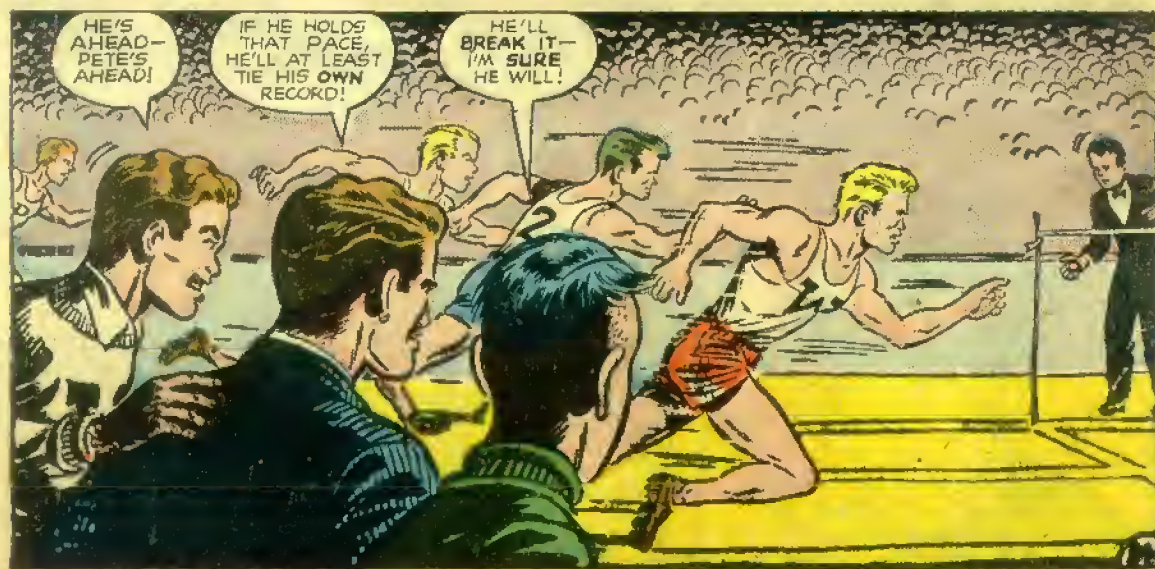
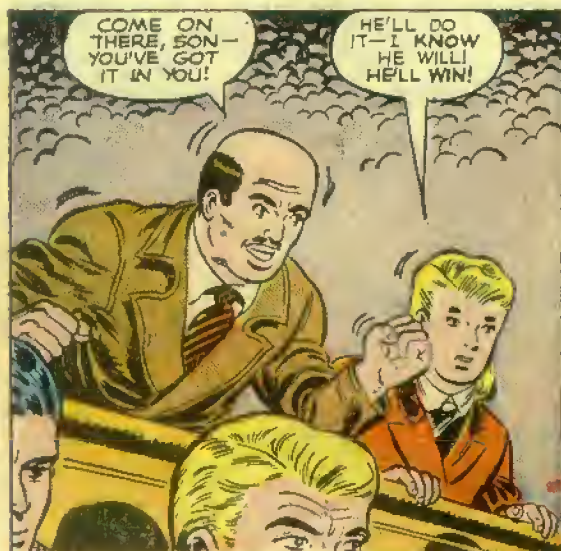
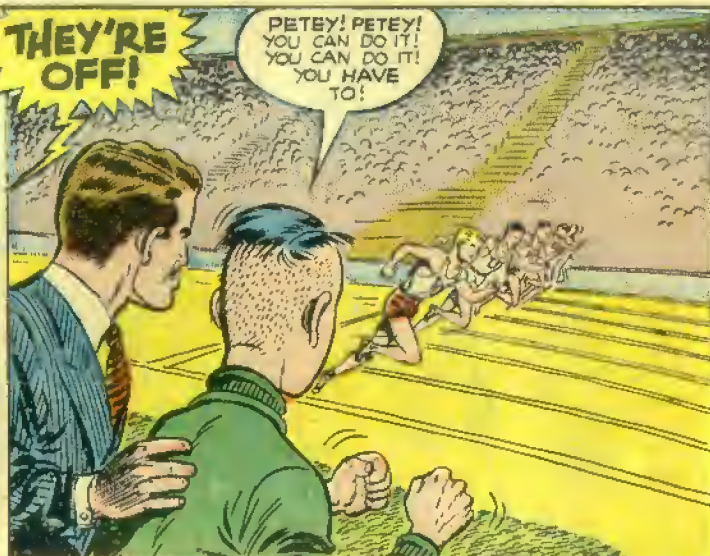


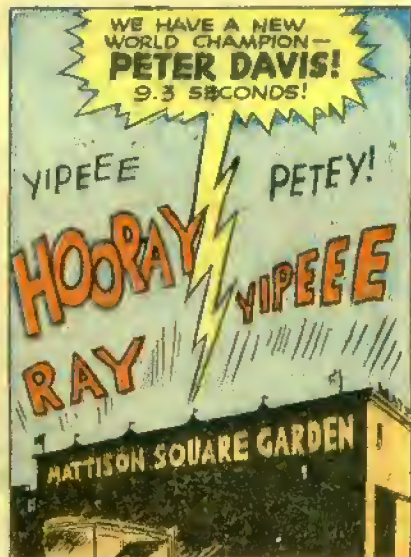




THEY'RE OFF!

PETHEY! PETHEY!
YOU CAN DO IT!
YOU CAN DO IT!
YOU HAVE TO!





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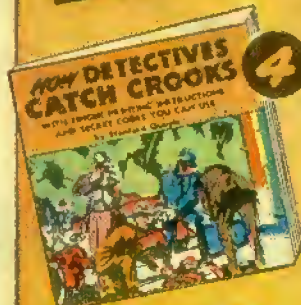
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ROBERT BLAINEY, veteran sportswriter, lay dead on the floor of his study, a tiny hole in his left temple, and a gun clutched in his left hand. A police officer bent over the body, his movements swift and efficient as he applied the paraffin test to the dead man's hand to discover whether that hand had recently fired a gun.

Chief Inspector Crandell turned from his silent watching of the procedure to a plump, terrified woman cowering in a large chair.

"Where do Miss Arno and Shannon live, Clara? It's been half an hour since I sent men to pick them up."

Clara shivered as she dragged her eyes from the body of her employer. "Why—why, I'm not sure," she answered. "I think they—oh, there's the bell! Maybe they're here now—"

Crandell headed for the door. "Never mind—I'll get it."

He flung open the door and stopped, with an expression of wry surprise on his face. "Well! How did you get here?"

Crimebuster grinned engagingly. "Now, now, Inspector, what a way to greet a friend," he laughed. "You're not the only one who has a short wave radio, you know—or who knows that dizzy police code. Besides, I need a little excitement. What goes on?"

"Well, I can't promise you any excitement just yet," said Crandell as he and *Crimebuster* started for the study, "but I can tell you what there is of the story, though. Blainey's dead with a gun in his hand. We don't know if it's suicide or not, but we will in a minute. His niece, June Arno, and Jack Shannon were with him earlier in the evening, so I've sent for them. The maid, Clara, found the body an hour ago—"

"Is that Jack Shannon the fighter who lost the championship the other day?"

"That's right. Come on, you can look the place over and I'll have Clara tell us the story again while you do," answered Crandell.

Crimebuster bent to examine the ~~body~~, and then straightened up to glance around the room as Crandell turned to Clara.

"Now, Clara," he said quietly, "tell us all about this afternoon again. Try to remember everything."

Clara frowned. "Well, like I told you before, Mr. Crandell, Mr. Blainey and Mr. Shannon

were in the study here, talking, when Miss June came. She rang the bell, and I—"

Crandell interrupted. "What were they talking about, Clara? Could you hear them?"

"No, I couldn't," answered Clara. "Oh—except just when I went to let Miss June in. I heard Mr. Blainey say, 'Here's the proof, in writing. I'm sure now that you'll change your mind about June.' That's all I heard. Then I opened the door, and showed Miss June in here."

Crandell frowned. "What do you suppose he meant, Clara?"

Clara shrugged. "I'm sure I wouldn't know, sir. I never pried into their affairs. Maybe it was something to do with Mr. Blainey not wanting June to marry Mr. Shannon."

"Oh, is that so? He didn't like the idea, eh?"

"Well, I wouldn't want you to say I said so, sir," answered Clara. "He never told me so, really. But a couple of times I heard him arguing with Miss June, and telling her Mr. Shannon was a cheap crook." She frowned thoughtfully. "Once I heard Miss June say she didn't care what Mr. Blainey said, she was going to marry whoever she pleased, even if she had to do it over Mr. Blainey's dead body." She shivered, glancing at the figure on the floor.

Crandell glanced at *Crimebuster*, and then said, "Go on, Clara. What happened next?"

"I brought Miss June in here," answered Clara, "and they all said hello, as nice as you please. Mr. Blainey, he was sitting at his desk, and he asked Miss June to put some papers he handed her in the safe over there." She indicated a large picture hanging on the wall.

"A safe, eh? You should have mentioned that sooner," said Crandell. "Johnny, check that safe for prints, will you? And by the way, what about Blainey?"

The man who had been bending over the body moved to examine the safe as he answered, "Nothing on his hands, Chief. He never fired that gun."

"Aha," said Crandell. "I was afraid of that. Well, Clara—what next?"

"Nothing much, sir," said Clara. "Miss June and Mr. Shannon left in a few minutes, and then I went out to the movies. When I came back I found Mr. Blainey—like that. And—and—well, I went to the movies with Mike Maloney. He's a policeman, sir, like you, so I—well I—"

"Don't worry, Clara," grinned Crandell. "You've got a good alibi. Ah, there's the bell again. Must be the others. Let them in, will you?"

June Arno entered first, being careful not to look at the body on the floor. She was a slim, pretty girl of about twenty. Her tight lips showed the effort she was making to control herself.

Behind her in the doorway loomed the heavy shoulders and familiar face of Jack Shannon, ex-champion. He escorted the girl solicitously to a chair, and turned to face *Crimebuster* and the Inspector, who were holding a whispered consultation with the officer who had examined the safe.

"Well, gentlemen," said Shannon, "we're both ready to help in any way we can. Naturally, we're pretty upset over this, especially since June and I are intending to be married. Bob, Mr. Blainey, that is, had only this evening told us of his plans for a reception to announce our engagement." *Crimebuster's* eyes narrowed, but he kept silent as Shannon continued. "I might as well tell you now that we have no idea why Mr. Blainey committed suicide. He was very happy and normal when we left him earlier tonight."

Crandell looked quizzically at Shannon for a moment, and then turned to *Crimebuster*. "Talks too much, doesn't he?" Ignoring Shannon's growl of protest, he continued. "Simplest case I've seen in a long while, except for one thing. Is it one of them, or both?"

Crimebuster grinned. "I think I can answer that," he said. He turned abruptly to the puzzled girl staring at him and said coldly, "Miss Arno, we have conclusive proof that you murdered your uncle!"

The girl swayed. She opened her mouth to speak, but no words came. Shannon, however, had no such trouble. "Why, you punk! I'll smash you like a fly for that," he roared. "She was at home! What proof have you got? It's a lie, whatever it is!"

"The best proof in the world, Shannon," answered *Crimebuster*. "Fingerprints! Miss Arno's fingerprints, all over that safe!" Crandell started, but *Crimebuster* never took his eyes from Shannon's face.

Purple with rage, the fighter advanced towards *Crimebuster*, who leaned against the desk. "Fingerprints! What do you mean, fingerprints," he raged. "There isn't a single print on that safe! Why should there be any talk of the safe? Nothing was taken! Why should her prints be on the

safe?"

Crimebuster's voice was like a whiplash. "Because she opened the safe this afternoon, Shannon! Her prints should still be there—unless someone wiped them off! But you're right—there are no prints on the safe. And how did you know that, Shannon? Because you wiped them off!" *Crimebuster* leaned forward to glare at the flustered giant. "And if she had killed her uncle, Shannon, why should she wipe them off? She'd be smart enough to know that we'd expect to find her fingerprints!"

Shannon struggled to speak. "I—I—she—I!"

"Go on, punk, talk," said *Crimebuster*. "You talked enough a minute ago—too much! Why don't you talk now, and tell us how you knew that Blainey had committed suicide? You knew that because you arranged it to look that way, didn't you? And tell us why you told us that Blainey approved of your marriage to his niece, when everyone in the room knows he tried to prevent it! Talk if you can, Shannon! Talk!"

The big man choked, and suddenly found his voice. "All right, all right, I did it," he screamed. "That rat Blainey had proof I threw my last fight, and he said he'd give it to the papers if I married June! She had nothing to do with it! I killed him! And I'll kill you too, right now, you little—I!"

Without warning, the fighter threw his huge bulk forward, towering over *Crimebuster*. His heavy fist swung towards *Crimebuster's* face—and stopped in mid-air, caught in a grip of steel. There was a sharp snap, a howl of pain, and Shannon lay stunned upon his back, clutching his wrist to his body.

"Looks natural that way, doesn't he?" Crandell grinned. "Take him away, boys!"

He turned to *Crimebuster*. "Well, you got your excitement, anyhow. Say, that was a nice trick, accusing the girl first. Why didn't you just tell me about the fingerprint angle?"

Crimebuster turned to the shocked girl on the couch. "I'm sorry to have upset Miss Arno that way, but it was necessary. You see, I figured she looked like a smart enough girl to leave her fingerprints on the safe if she had killed Blainey—but you never can be absolutely certain what a woman will do when she's excited. I had to be sure."

He turned to grin at Crandell. "But there's one thing you can be sure of, and you know it as well as I do. Let a killer start talking, and he'll convict himself with his own words. They always overdo it—always!" *The end—*

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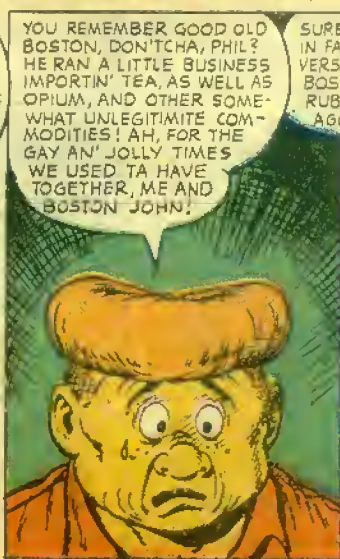
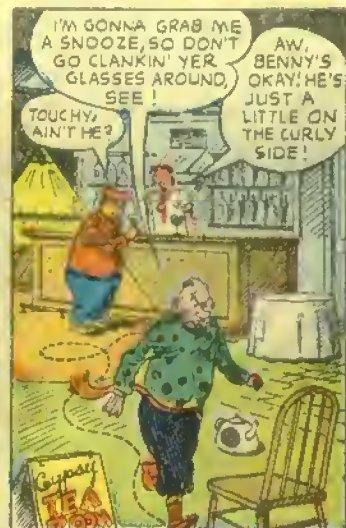
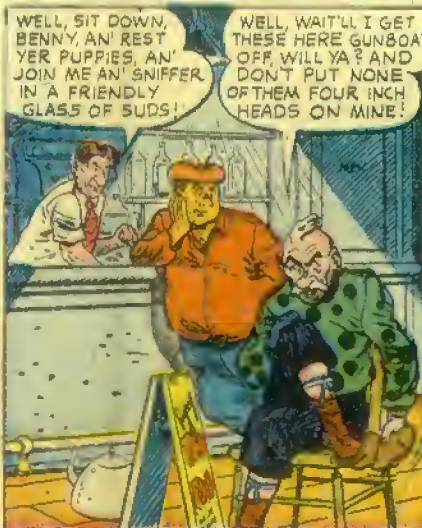
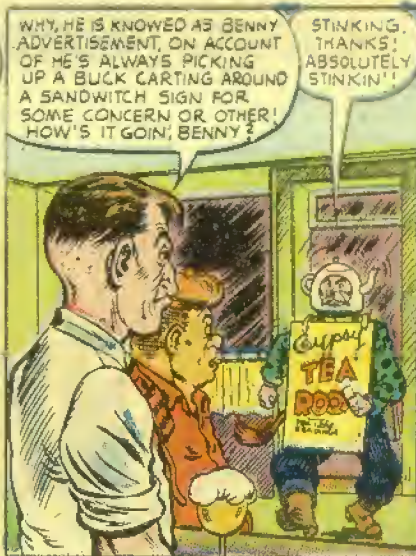
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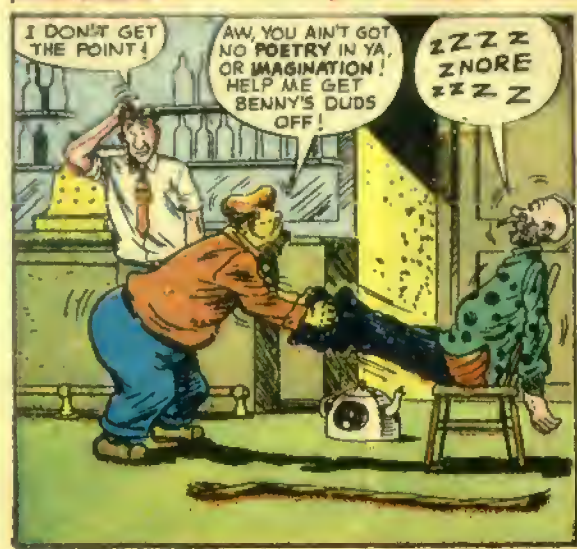
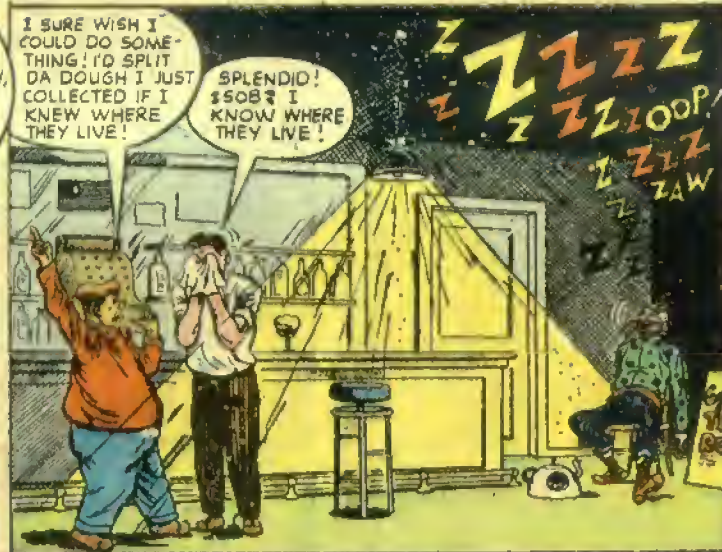
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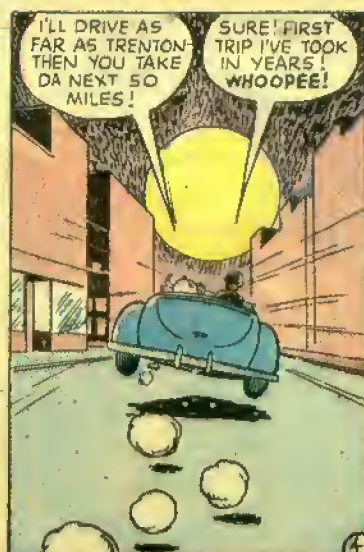
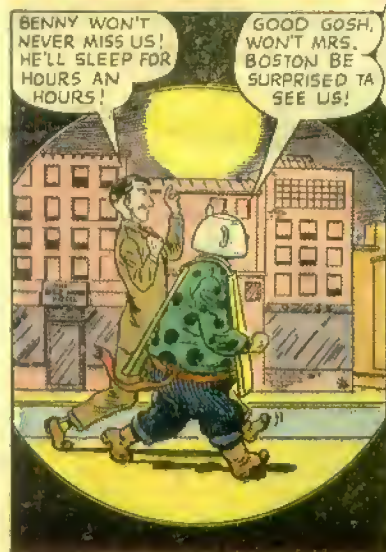
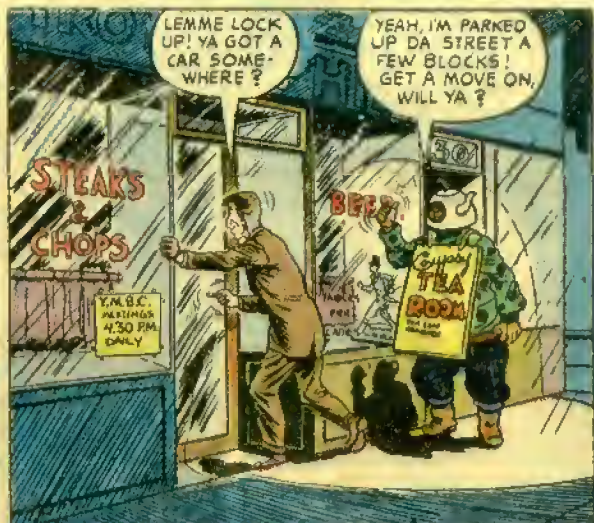
WHY, I COLLECTED IT OFFA DUTCH LOOIE, DA DIRTY CROOK AN HE WAS VERY REASON-ABLE ABOUT IT! NACHERLY, I HADDA FIRST BAT HIM AROUND QUITE SOME, TO CHIC! DO IT!
CHIC!

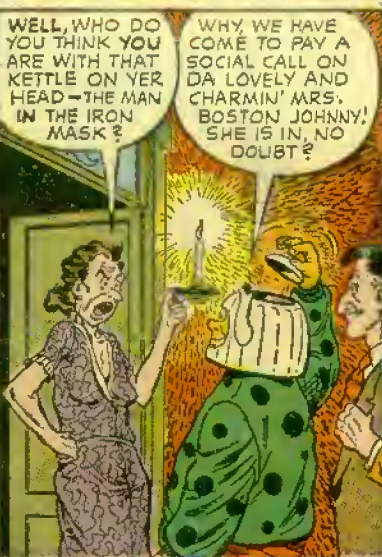
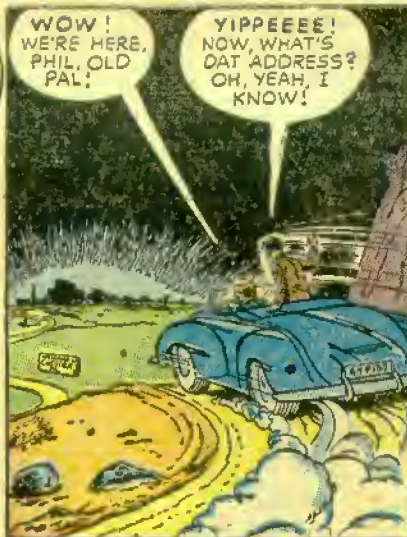
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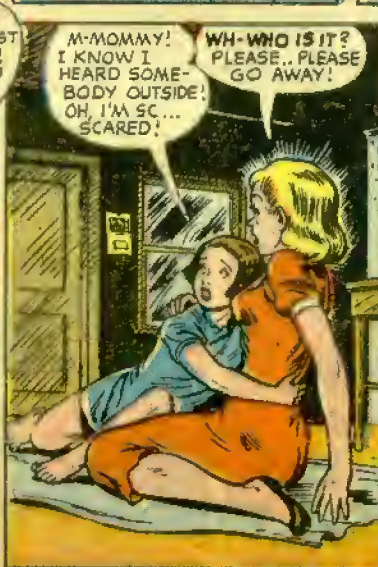
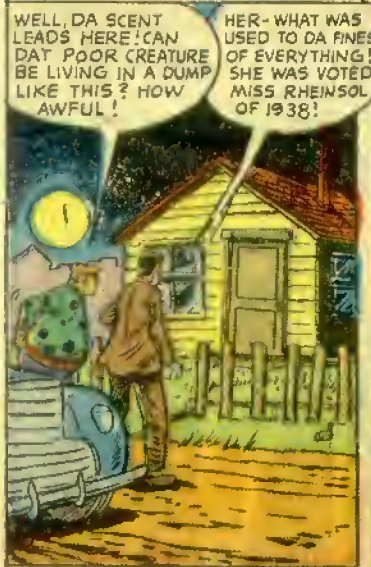














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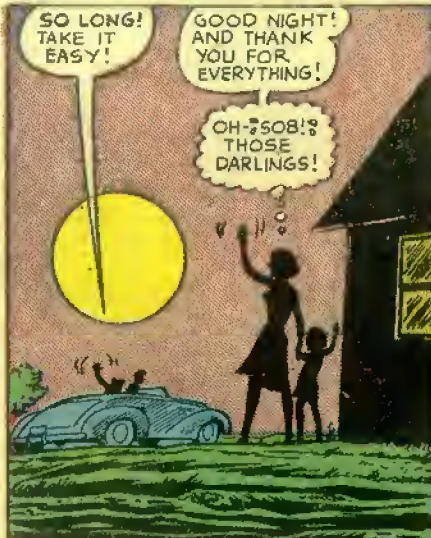
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SO LONG! TAKE IT EASY!

GOOD NIGHT! AND THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING!

OH-?SOB!? THOSE DARLINGS!



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YEAH! JUST DROP ME OFF HERE, SNIFFER! I'LL WALK THE LAST COUPLE OF BLOCKS HOME!



SEE YA AROUND!

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CERTAINLY-I'M TIRED, YA DOPE! I BEEN UP ALL NIGHT!



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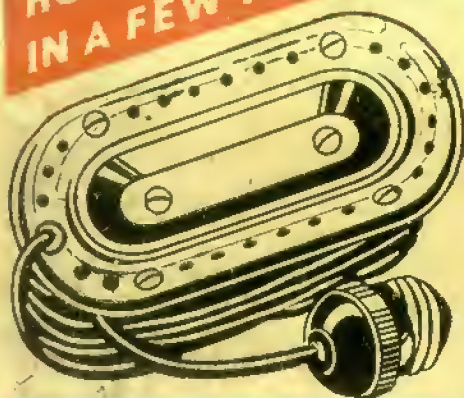
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